



**PATENT**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/817,446  
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Applicant: Osamu Miyazawa  
Group Art Unit: 2834  
Examiner: Karen B. Addison  
Title: OPERATING APPARATUS AND AN ELECTRIC  
INSTRUMENT  
Attorney Docket: 9319A-000754

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 23, 2006, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 9 of this paper.